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## EDITORIAL.

**I**N looking over the file of *The Burr* the following numbers are found missing. Vol. XIV, numbers 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21. The manager will be glad to buy them from anyone having them and wishing to sell.

**O**N the list of periodicals of the library we see many engineering weeklies and monthlies, but why are such magazines as "Cassiers," and "The Engineering Magazine" not taken? The question has been often asked of late, especially by Seniors doing thesis work. The publications above mentioned are unquestionably better than many to which the library now subscribes, some of which are scarcely ever used. Their appearance in the library would be welcomed, while their absence is wondered at.

**I**T may be worth the while to call the attention of the college to an article which appeared in the May number of *The Engineering Magazine*, entitled "Quackery of Engineering Education," by Mr. Kidwell. He criticised Lehigh's technical courses, and quotes a paragraph from our register which he says is misleading and incorrect.

After reading this it will certainly be worth while to read in the June number of the same magazine an article under the same title by Professor Williams, of Lehigh. He very clearly and conclusively points out Mr. Kid-

well's error in confusing engineers with artisans.

Apropos to the above confusion of terms, it seems strange that in this country the word *engineer* should be confused so frequently with the common engineman or engine runner. In England the distinction is recognized and made.

**I**T seems to be an unfortunate and invariable rule in Lehigh's intercollegiate athletic contests that where there is any question as to the fairness and impartiality of the officials of the game, our team is always the sufferer. On some occasions this is undoubtedly due to the carelessness of those at the head of the teams in allowing representatives of our opponents to act as officials, and again in many cases it may be due entirely to hard luck, that is, it must be accredited to an unexpected prejudice in a carelessly selected official. The manner in which our teams have been treated in the past by referee and umpire in many important games is still remembered by the college. Few men who were in college at the time will soon forget how our foot-ball team was treated at Ithaca two years ago, and was forced to leave the field on account of the unfairness of the Cornell officials, nor do we forget the injustice of the Crescent officials in the lacrosse game at New York last spring, and now comes this last report of the treatment of our foot-ball team in the game with

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Brown. It is very unfortunate that these athletic misunderstandings should occur, straining friendly relations between colleges, and bringing intercollegiate athletic contests into disrepute, and it is to be hoped that colleges and athletic clubs that are incapable of winning games fairly and on their merits should receive the condemnation they deserve,

and should be debarred from intercollegiate contests. At all events we sincerely hope and trust that the captains and those at the head of Lehigh's teams will profit by the experience of the past, and will use the greatest care in the selection of officials in all future contests.

### SIR WALTER RALEIGH.

**E**XPERIENCE has shown that a man of adventuresome and martial spirit, eager for great exploits and thirsting for fame, born in stirring times under a brave and spirited sovereign, will rise into high repute and be much honored and emulated. If, however, he should chance to be born when the genius of the times is quiet and settled, unless these adventurous talents are of a supple and yielding nature and can be fashioned to the occasion, they will be criminally perverted, and the noble courage may degenerate into cowardice.

A notable example of this is Sir Walter Raleigh. Though he was not only master of all the arts of defending a country in war and adorning it in peace, but had made a name for himself as great in letters as his sword had won for him on the battle-field, yet a war-like reign was his salvation and a peaceful one proved his destruction.

Although the current of time has engulfed many particulars of his life, and envy has darkened his fame, yet it may be truly said that there is more of interest in his life than in many histories of entire ages.

The diversity and extent of his accomplishments bewilder the sober imagination, and fancy runs riot in their richness.

Sir Walter Raleigh was descended of an ancient family, born in 1552, in the village of Hayes, in Devonshire. He entered the University of Oxford where he distinguished himself by the strength and versatility of his genius.

On leaving the university he entered France, which at this time was embroiled in civil wars, and Raleigh had the advantage of a stirring age to encourage and exercise his active genius.

His martial temper drew him soon into the wars of the Low Countries in the service of the Prince of Orange. Having received a captain's commission he was engaged in the wars in Ireland. In all of these battles he distinguished himself by his courage and conduct.

Shortly afterward he attracted the favorable notice of Queen Elizabeth, who honored him with royal favors. Tradition ascribes his first introduction at court to a piece of gallantry wherewith he surprised the queen accidentally in one of her walks, by throwing down his new plush cloak in a mire, thus affording a dry foot-path for her majesty.

Sir Humphrey Gilbert, Raleigh's half-brother, made a voyage to Newfoundland, but soon after, he rashly embarked in the Squirrel, a frigate of ten tons burden, which, with all on board, was swallowed up at midnight on the high seas in a furious gale.

But this could not daunt the fearless Raleigh from pursuing a scheme of such importance to his country as discoveries in the north of America. Having obtained letters patent from the queen, he fitted out two vessels at his own expense, and selected able and experienced commanders. After a voyage of fifty-six days, he landed near Roanoke Island, taking formal possession of the country in the name of the queen of England. The party

carried on a friendly correspondence with the native Indians, who supplied them with great variety of fish and venison, and gave them furs and deer skins for the usual trifles.

On his return his glowing description of the country induced the queen to appoint him head of an expedition, having for its object the colonization of a country to which her majesty was pleased to give the name of Virginia. Raleigh set out with a fleet of seven sail and landed at Roanoke, leaving one hundred men to form a colony. This colony was a source of many disappointments to him, and he was afterwards forced to relinquish his connection with it.

In the wars against the Spaniards, Raleigh was actively engaged, and shared in the honors of the glorious defeat and dispersion of the Spanish Armada.

He made a brilliant but fruitless attempt in heading an expedition to Guiana, having for its object the discovery of the fabled El Dorado, the city of gems and gold.

In the court intrigues which ended in the downfall of the Earl of Essex, he became deeply involved, and certain points of his conduct have fixed a stain on a fame otherwise splendid.

On the death of Elizabeth, in 1603, terminated the successful portion of his career. He had always been regarded with open suspicion by James, who trumped up a charge of trea-

son against him, in support of which never a jot of evidence was produced. He was sentenced to death, but James did not dare to carry this into effect then, but imprisoned him in the Tower for thirteen years.

During his confinement, Raleigh devoted himself to literature, his chief monument being the History of the World, whose beauty, strength, and majesty of style are remarkable.

He was released from the Tower to engage in a second expedition to Guiana, which failed miserably. Sick and comfortless, his son being killed in a battle with the Spaniards, he returned home to die an ignominious death. On the morning of the 29th of October, 1618, largely at the instigation of the King of Spain, he was infamously executed.

Thus fell this great man, the victim of a mean and corrupt court to a foreign power, whose influence had become dominant in the councils of England.

Raleigh was a man of noble presence, a rare genius, one of the most splendid figures in an age when splendor prevailed, and men of brilliant talents abounded. He combined the art and *finesse* of a courtier, the political tact and wisdom of the statesman, with the resolution and bravery of the warrior; and the calm dignity which he manifested in adversity, conciliated even those whom he had offended in his prosperity.

*C. P. Nachod.*

### THE ELECTION.

ON Tuesday, October 20, THE BURR held a mock election to ascertain the sentiment of the University in regard to the presidential question. Strange to say, it was impossible to get all the men to vote. Some few were evidently too lazy to cast a ballot, and some others "preferred to keep their political convictions to themselves." Occasionally there appeared a ballot bearing a species of which, for lack of a better term, we will call freshman wit, though really in the present

instance this was indulged in chiefly by the upperclassmen. One or two voted for a fellow student, another "would vote as my mamma does"; another, previous to the present issue, was an anarchist, while yet another, with very decidedly better wit, predicts McKinley's election thus: McKinley: Bryan:: 16: 1. As the following results show, this would be very nearly a mathematical truth if the election were to be decided by the votes of Lehigh undergraduates. Nevertheless, THE BURR feels satis-

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fied that the vote as a whole is a conscientious one, and is a true exponent of the sentiment of the College.

It may be well to note that the men from Washington, D.C., are allowed to vote, while foreigners are regarded as Pennsylvanians.

The vote is as follows:

## PRESIDENTIAL PREDICTION.

	P.G.	'97	'98	'99	1900	Total
McKinley .....	3	58	56	37	54	208
Bryan .....	1	11	10	4	13	39
Palmer .....	0	0	1	0	0	1
Levering .....	0	0	0	0	0	0

## BY STATES.

	McKinley.	Bryan.	Palmer.	Levering.
Pennsylvania.....	112	18	14	1
Maryland.....	9	2	3	2
New York.....	18	3	2	0
New Jersey.....	20	4	0	0
Delaware.....	0	1	0	0
Connecticut.....	5	0	0	0
Florida .....	1	0	0	0
South Carolina.....	1	2	2	0
West Virginia.....	2	2	1	1
Virginia .....	0	3	2	1

## EDITOR'S TABLE.

PERHAPS we should let bygones be by-gones, yet it is difficult to avoid glancing back at the past college year and recalling the class of literature which appeared in the college periodicals, the touching, sentimental verse, and heartrending love stories. Some of these touched a tender chord of sympathy within The Table. Let us quote one short sweet verse from a little ballad which recently arrived in one of the exchanges:

## SONG.

The dawn is where thou art,  
(*My own sweetheart!*)  
In thee all songs and voices blend  
In one sweet singing without end.

This needs no comment. It fairly breathes with the spirit of love and tenderness, and appeals to all those whose hearts are filled with kindred sympathy.

"The dawn is where thou art," and then the confession of where the dawn art is modestly

Illinois .....	1	0	0	0
Iowa.....	2	0	0	0
District of Columbia..	10	2	1	1
Tennessee .....	1	0	1	0
North Carolina.....	1	2	0	0
Utah.....	1	1	0	0
Maine.....	1	0	0	0
Kentucky.....	1	1	1	0
Massachusetts.....	3	0	0	0
Ohio.....	1	0	0	0
Total.....	—	—	—	—
	190	41	27	5

## BY CLASSES.

	P.G.	'97	'98	'99	1900	Total
McKinley .....	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bryan .....	3	48	51	39	49	190
Palmer.....	1	13	10	3	14	41
Levering.....	0	9	7	5	6	27
Votes Cast.....	4	72	71	46	70	263
No. in Class.....	5	80	78	68	116	347

## POLITICS PREVIOUS TO PRESENT ISSUE.

	P.G.	'97	'98	'99	1900	Total
Republicans.....	3	36	37	27	41	144
Democrats.....	0	29	28	10	21	88
Prohibitionists ..	0	3	2	1	2	8
Mugwumps.....	0	3	5	7	9	24
Populists.....	1	0	0	0	0	1
Independents....	0	1	0	1	0	2

concealed behind the protecting arms of the parenthesis. And the final statement:

"In thee all songs and voices blend  
In one sweet singing without end."

This is so delightfully suggestive. One easily imagines the "sweet singing" produced by the blending of "all songs and voices." And to think—"without end," also. It is needless to add any more of this gentle effusion. These four short lines must needs leave a lasting impression on the reader's mind, and a far-away expression in his eyes.

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## CRITICS.

Alack the day when critics 'gan  
With cruel pen their war to wage,  
And smote with harsh, unsparing hand  
The humblest men of every age.  
Oh, that *their* offerings they would bring  
To richly bless their fellow-men;  
And not tear down our structures few,  
Which never may be built again.

—*Brunonian.*

## DON'T YOU CARE.

When the cold wind sweeps the woodland,  
Whistling through the branches bare,  
And you hear old Winter's footsteps,  
Spring will follow. Don't you care.

When your money fast is failing  
And your pocketbook grows spare,  
While your tailor waxes anxious,  
Luck is turning. Don't you care.

When your best girl's heart grows frigid,  
While another gets your share,  
And you hear her call you "Mister,"  
There are others. Don't you care.

When, with sorrows and with troubles,  
Life's great load seems hard to bear,  
And this old world palls and wearies,  
There's a heaven. Don't you care.

—Brunonian.

## AFTERGLOW.

Upon the never weary father breast  
Of God, the world of suffering ever lies.  
Yet oft, methinks, He gladly turns His eyes,  
At nightfall on the works He loves the best.  
When the last light has faded from the west,  
Over the mountains rose-red splendors rise  
Tranfiguring their foreheads, and the skies  
Glow tenderly above the world at rest.

I watched the fire high and higher creep.  
Its brightness pulsates, lingers, and is done:  
And my soul bows awe and joy the while,  
For, ere the earth doth fold her hands in sleep,  
Before the stars break through it one by one,  
I feel that I have seen God's very smile.

—Wellesley Magazine.



## THE GOSSIP.

THE Gossip was laying away one of this year's class posters in his archives, when he noticed the very marked difference between it and its predecessors. The older posters—although the style of their composition was unique, were full of humor, and were well worth the reading. A large part of them was devoted to verse, which in its originality and cleverness atoned for an occasional lack of meter.

For instance, on a '96-'97 poster, the line-up of '97's foot-ball team on Founder's Day was given, and it was absurd to a degree—one of the half-backs was a leg of —'s "pants," etc. The walk or gait of a freshman named Illig, which was so remarkable as to be curiously watched by passers-by, was referred to as being an "Illigant" walk.

But the more recent posters seem to have been composed on the spur of the moment; the verse has disappeared entirely and the

poster committees being less proficient in their command of English than in their command of green ink, attempt to supply the deficiency in the expression of the former by the excessive application of the latter.

The custom, as it is carried out now, seems to be gone through simply as a matter of form—some kind of a poster must be put up. True! Then let it be a good one.

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It was with extreme sadness that The Gossip heard of the very serious illness of one of the oldest of his Lehigh friends, a trusted companion and classmate—Specker, '97, ΦΓΔ

The poor fellow went home last Saturday night feeling very badly over the foot-ball scores and went to bed rather early. He did not rise on Sunday at his accustomed hour, but scrambled out of bed at 10.10, dull and tired. The old plan of dressing in a hurry; but he couldn't get his collar on straight and

had to go to chapel in a borrowed sweater. He went directly home after chapel, refusing repeatedly to dine with Scamp, '97, x $\Phi$ , and Rebel, '98, b o II. He said he did not feel like eating. Indeed, his appearance did not belie his words, for he had a bloated balloon-like outline, and a very sour expression about the mouth. His eyes, too, had lost their usual lustre, and had a dreary laziness like the surface of a badly poached egg.

His two friends, Scamp, x $\Phi$ , and Rebel, b o II, would not hear of his going home alone. They assisted him down New street, taking most of the weight of his hind legs, which seemed to be very feeble. Arriving at his home they pressed questions upon him and a porous plaster upon the back of his neck. At last the poor sufferer admitted to them, with tears in his eyes, that his illness was due to his having foolishly eaten some dried apples and absent-mindedly drank some pump water.

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The Gossip has often wondered how many men succeed in fulfilling their highest ambition in life. He realizes that such men are hard to find, but at last he has heard of one, and even has the honor of knowing him personally. Some years ago a young man, a student at the Philadelphia High School, expressed himself as follows: "My highest ambition in life is to become the president of some large university or college." This, as The Gossip before remarked, was a number of years ago, but that young man's ambition has been fulfilled. After graduating from college he took up the work of an instructor in an institution of learning, soon rose to the rank of professor, gained a great deal of prominence by his labors and researches, and at last was elected to the presidency of a large and growing university. He has succeeded in fulfilling his highest ambition, and is today honored and esteemed by the alumni and undergraduates of a university. Reader, that university is not far away; The Gossip can see it from his window.

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"Oft fond memory backward turning," and as it turns the Gossip recalls the commencement week of last June, and lives over again those few bright sunny days after the examinations, when he was at peace with world and the Faculty. And not the least prominent memory of that time is associated with the many old Lehigh men, alumni, who returned once more to the scenes of many trials and troubles. Many arrived with a large retinue, and were dressed in the purple and fine linen, bearing testimony of their industry and thirst, and bearing also many leather covered glass flasks. And these men who had waxed mighty in the ways of the world had returned to look once more upon the face of their Alma Mater, to listen to another of Jim Myers's "true stories," and to count the scalps hanging at the belt of the wild Indian custodian at the gate.

They inspected the gymnasium and noted with pleasure the numerous new shower baths and other extensive improvements which had recently been made in that cleanly kept and delicately scented edifice. They wandered down to the library and were there entranced with the sweet winsome manners and gentle confiding disposition of that delicately nurtured grizzly bear who is sometimes to be found behind the desk, and who wears a mulatto umbrella, and a composite map of Hellertown, Kalamazoo and Mongolia upon his face. Reluctantly tearing themselves away from such entertaining and polished society they wandered down through the campus admiring the new Mechanical Laboratory, and the grand old chestnut trees which had previously been cut down and carted away, until the latest acquisitions of the University, the picturesque and entrancing barb wire and iron fences met their astonished and admiring gaze. How greatly these additions enhance the beauty of the campus, and how thoroughly they are appreciated and admired by the students and alumni can be ascertained by listen-

ing to the gentle and endearing expressions which they call forth from one and all.

Overcome with the many changes which have been wrought about college, and visibly affected thereover, the valiant band of alumni

wandered silently and sadly down the hill to "Charlie's," where they found our old college institution which had not experienced the general radical change. "Vill you haf der Nuding oder der Bock?"

## FOOT-BALL.

LEHIGH 44; RUTGERS 0.

THE first home game of the season was played October 14, Rutgers being our opponents. It is to be regretted that more college men did not turn out to witness this contest, for the handful of men present were treated to as fine an exhibition of foot-ball on the part of the home team, as has ever been seen on these grounds. Although rain fell during almost the entire game not more than one or two fumbles occurred. During the first half which lasted 20 minutes, 32 points were made. In the second half with some of the 'Varsity laid off, 14 points were added making the final score 44 to 0.

The work of the entire team was of a high order, White, VanDuyne and Gass showing perhaps the best form.

The line-up was as follows:

LEHIGH.		RUTGERS.	
Brady,	{ Chamberlain,	left end,	Marker
Fugit,		left tackle,	Mohn
Senior,		left guard,	McMahon
McCarthy,	{ Gunsolus,	centre,	Mills
Becerra,		right guard,	Woodruff
Gunsolus,	{ Mason,	right tackle,	{ Waltee Courtney
Treichler,		right end,	{ Fisher Walter
Gass,		quarter-back	{ Stryter Deury
VanDuyne,	{ Brady,	right half-back,	{ Ryno Cork
White,		left half-back,	{ Mason Oram
Holderness,		full-back,	Rapalje

Touchdowns, White 6, VanDuyne 2; goals kicked, Fugit 6; time of halves, 20 and 15 minutes; referee, Mr. Morris, Yale; umpire, Mr. Haddon, Rutgers; linemen, Mr. Smith, Mr. Drury.

PENNSYLVANIA 34; LEHIGH 0.

ON October 17, the game with Pennsylvania was played on Franklin Field, Philadelphia. The team work of Lehigh was much better than that of Pennsylvania, although Pennsylvania seldom failed to gain the necessary number of yards for a first down. This was due almost entirely to the famous "guards back" formation which is nothing more or less than the old mass play reconstructed in such a way as to be just within bounds of the rules. White's sensational run of 40 yards around Penn's left end was perhaps the best play of the game.

Senior's absence from the line undoubtedly weakened that portion of it and allowed Penn to block nearly every attempt to advance the ball by kicking. Baring a few fumbles the work of the team was satisfactory.

Two halves of 25 and 20 minutes were played; 22 points being made during the first half and 12 the second.

The teams line-up was as follows:

LEHIGH.		PENNSYLVANIA.	
Brady,		left end,	Gilbert
Fugit,		left tackle,	Uffenheimer
Senior,	{	left guard,	Stannard
Mason,	{	center,	Overfield
McCarthy,		right guard,	Wharton
Becerra,		right tackle,	Farrer
Gunsolus,		right end,	Hedges
Treichler,		quarter-back,	Goodman
Gass,		left half,	Morice
White,		right half,	Minds
VanDuyne,		full-back,	Woodruff

Touchdowns, Wharton, Gilbert, Uffenheimer, Woodruff 3; goals, Woodruff 3; safety, Gass; length of halves 25 and 20 minutes; referee, Dr. Williams, Yale; umpire, Wyckoff, Cornell; linemen, Orbison of Pennsylvania, Slade of Lehigh.

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BROWN 16; LEHIGH 0.

**T**HE game on October 24, at Providence, resulted in a victory for Brown by the above score. It is unfortunate that this score does not give one the idea that the 'Varsity played good ball. As a matter of fact the teams were very evenly matched in every point except weight, which favored Brown. Had it not been for the very poor decisions made by umpire Little against our team the score would have certainly been close. The last touchdown was made after the second half had really closed, the mistake being made by linesman Wing who had ideas of his own as regards to when the ball should have been called dead, and he figured his time accordingly. Both teams put up a good game, although Brown fumbled rather badly at critical times.

The first half of the game was played mostly in mid-field, excepting towards the end of the half, when Fultz, with but 50 seconds to spare, crossed the line and scored the first touchdown from which he kicked goal. Score, Brown 6, Lehigh 0. No further scoring was done during the remainder of this half.

In the second half Brown scored twice, Fultz making both touchdowns, but failing to kick one goal. For Brown, Gammons and Fultz played the best game; while Brady, Gunsolus and the backs showed up well for Lehigh.

The line-up was as follows:

LEHIGH,		BROWN.
Brady, Treichler,	left end,	Murphy.
Fugit,	left tackle,	Casey.
Johnson,	left guard,	Wheeler.
McCarthy,	center,	Dyer.
Becerra,	right guard,	Coombs.
Gunsolus,	right tackle,	Locke.
Mason,	right end,	Chase.
Gass,	quarter-back.	Colby.
VanDuyne,	right half,	Fultz.
White,	left half,	Gammons.
Holderness, Brady,	full-back,	Hall.

Touchdowns, Fultz 3, Goals, Fultz 2. Time of halves 25 and 20 minutes. Referee, Draper Williams, Umpire, Little, Amherst. Linesmen, Wing, Providence, Cham-berlin, Lehigh.

## MY MUSE.

**W**HEN hid away in my little loft  
Far from the city's din,  
I open wide my window oft,  
To coax my muse within.

And sometimes, if I try to write  
My pen will scratch and splutter,  
And I know my muse's garments light,  
Have caught my window shutter.

## THERMODYNAMICS.

**T**RULY indeed we can call him a hero,  
Who masters the law of the absolute zero,  
For though we admit such a point must exist,  
If the mind dwells upon it 'tis clouded with mist.

Great scientists tell us, for every degree,  
Bodies lose volume by a fixed quantity,  
Though it leads to results that seem quite absurd,  
They declare the amount a two-seventy-third.

And reasoning on they grew still more absurd,  
And said that from this they simply inferred  
That at minus two hundred and seventy-three,  
A body that was, would no longer be.

Just here, we all must see the relation  
Between this truth and the world's creation,  
If it started at zero, why then like as not,  
The world was created by getting it hot.



—R. P. Howell, '86, is connected with the U. S. Geodetic Survey, and has been in Indian Territory all summer. He is at present at Claremore, Ind. Ty., with one of the surveying corps.

—H. B. C. Nitze, '87, is on a three weeks' trip out West with the American Society of Mining Engineers.

—Frost, '93, has received his degree from McGill University, Canada.

—Fletcher Hallock, '94, is in the Crocker Wheeler Electric Works, Ampere, N. J.

—R. R. Harvey, '95, is with the Westinghouse Electric Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

—J. E. Brooks, '95, is working at the Berlin Iron Works.

—Van Liew, '95, has returned from Mexico where he has been engaged in extensive copper mining.

—H. E. Kip, '95, is with the Buffalo Engineering Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

—C. F. Mauric, '95, is with Thompson & Co., Civil Engineers, in New York.

—W. T. Brown, '95, is located at Philadelphia, in one of the large bridge works.

—D. H. Lackey, '95, is located in New York City, with the Metropolitan Telephone Co.

—C. T. Ayres, '95, is working in Chicago. He is gas inspector of one of the large electrical works.

—G. W. Beggs, '95, has been with the Berlin Iron Bridge Co., at Berlin, Conn. It is reported that he will return to college this year for a P.G.

—I. M. Higbee, '95, is in Virginia, near Caracas, working upon a large system of water supply and drainage.

—C. W. Lord, '96, is Assistant Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Bolt & Nut Co., Lebanon, Pa.

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#### COMMUNICATIONS.

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**E**DITORS LEHIGH BURR:—Allow me through your columns to call the attention of your readers to the following verse, which I found among some unfinished stories and verse written shortly before and during the civil war. I know the authorship of the stories, and some of the verse which has never been published, but that below, for aught I know, may be well known, or it may be the work of some unknown rhymer. I should like to be informed.

'NINETY-NINE.

#### WHAT IS LOVE?

What is love? an idle passion;

Sage advisers call it so;

Can I treat it in their fashion?

Honest nature answers no.

Wise ones, cease; in vain your preaching;

Age has turned your hearts to snow.

Can I profit by your teaching?

Honest nature answers no.

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#### KEPT BOTH MY HEART AND ME.

Long time, I would not love,

I laughed at cupid's bow,

But now o'er silly maids

Its magic power I know!

In freedom once I went,

My heart was whole and gay,

Till love a flatterer sent

Who took one-half away.

## THE LEHIGH BURR.

Heart-broken then I flew,  
To get back what he stole.  
But what did he then do?  
Why, he robbed me of the whole!  
Ah me, that luckless day,  
I would have fled—but he—  
I'm half ashamed to say,  
Kept both my heart and me!

When the black lettered list to the Gods was presented,  
The list of what fate for each mortal intends,  
At the long string of ills a kind angel relented,  
And slipt in three blessings, wife, children and friends.

In vain, angry Lucifer swore he was cheated,  
And Justice Divine could not compass its ends,  
The scheme of man's fall, he maintained, was defeated.  
For Earth becomes Heaven with wife, children  
and friends.

When the stock of our bliss is in stranger hands vested,  
The fund ill-seemed oft in bankruptcy ends,  
But the heart issues bills which are never protested,  
When drawn on the firm of wife, children and friends.

The soldier, whose deeds are immortal in story,  
Whom duty to far-distant latitudes sends,  
With transport, would barter whole ages of glory,  
For one happy day with wife, children and friends.

Though valor still glows in his life's waning embers,  
The death-wounded Tar, who his color defends,  
Drops a tear of regret, as he, dying, remembers  
How blest was his home with wife, children and  
friends.

'Tho spice-breathing gales o'er his caravan hover,  
And around him Arabia's whole fragrance descends,  
The merchant still thinks of the woodbines that cover  
The bower, where he sat with wife, children and  
friends.

The day-spring of youth, still unclouded by sorrow,  
Alone on itself for enjoyment depends.  
But drear is the twilight of age, if it borrow  
No warmth from the smile of wife, children and  
friends.

Let the breath of renown ever freshen and nourish  
The laurel, that o'er his dead favorite bends,  
O'er me wave the willow, which only can flourish  
When dewed with the tears of wife, children and  
friends.

Let us drink, for my song growing graver and graver  
To subjects too solemn insensibly tends,  
Let us drink, pledge me high, love and beauty will flavor  
The glass that we fill to wife, children and friends.

## CLIPPINGS.

## A SORROWFUL SILVERITE.

He sadly gazed at his hogs and heifers,  
As the Kansas zephyrs toyed with his peffers,  
Then he swore a "gol dern" at the innocent sod  
Because it was covered with golden-rod.

—Ex.

## AN ICELAND LEGEND.

Thorsten the Wolf, the Vikingsson,  
Is lost with his fair-head crew.  
For twice ten days, so the legends run,  
They raced to the eye of the midnight sun,  
Till an iceberg gored them through.

They hewed them a cave in the ice peak where  
The sinuous sea mists curl;  
A cavern of ice, so crystal fair  
That it gleamed like a bubble of prisoned air,  
In the heart of a sun-kissed pearl.

In their crystal sepulchre, gray and pale,  
They sat, with the Wolf at their head.  
"Thread that is spun of the Norns runs frail—  
"Skoal to the Viking! Hael, was hael!  
"Trink!" And their souls were fled.

All times and places have changed since then,  
But still, when the white bergs roar,  
They say, "It is Thorsten, come again!  
"Thorsten the Wolf, with his fair-haired men  
"From the years that are nevermore!"

—Huntington Mason.

## STORMY WEATHER.

Said the whiskered "med"  
To the fair "co-ed,"  
"I'm like a ship at sea—  
Exams are near,  
And much I fear  
I will unlucky be."  
Then murmured she,  
"A shore I'll be.  
Come, rest, thy journey o'er."  
Then darkness fell,  
And all was well,  
For the ship had hugged the shore.

—Ex.

## A GREETING.

"A green little boy, in a green little way,  
A little green apple devoured one day;  
And the green little grasses now tenderly wave  
O'er the little green apple boy's green little grave."

—Hermonite.

## THE CASTAWAY.

As one who storm-tossed on the angry waves  
 Beholds the land, and with each quick drawn breath  
 Breathes now new hope of life; whose thought out-braves  
 All hidden rocks, and grim, unconquered Death ;  
 So, too, for one brief moment, I conceived  
 A life with all its cherished aims attained,  
 Bounded by nobler love ; nor yet believed  
 That life might be foresworn, that honor stained.  
 —*Trinity Tablet.*

Jim Sureshot found a rope one day,  
 And picked it up, of course ;  
 It happened that the other end  
 Was fastened to a horse.  
 Next day the cowboys found a rope  
 And hitched it round a limb ;  
 It happened that the other end  
 Was fastened onto Jim.

—*Smith College Monthly.*

Eyes were made to droop,  
 Cheeks were made to blush,  
 Hair was made to crimp and curl,  
 Lips were made—oh, hush !      —*Ex.*



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